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Parents urged to bring concerns to teachers first

Provincial website to report on teachers bypasses established procedure: school board

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board is encouraging those who may have an issue with how the school curriculum is being handled to take their concerns through the appropriate channels.

In August, Premier Doug Ford announced there would be broad consultations taking place regarding a new health and sex ed curriculum, following the announcement that the 2015 version of the curriculum would be repealed.

Some educators and school boards have said they would continue to follow the 2015 curriculum and not the 1998 version being implemented by the Progressive Conservatives.

Ford warned that those not following the curriculum would be sternly dealt with, and said a public interest committee and website has been set up to deal with "misconduct issues."

TLDSB director of education Larry Hope told the paper that the board will

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Sweeten the pot

Potter Lisa Barry instructs a workshop for kids on how to make a honey pot out of clay at Abbey Gardens on August 30. The not-for-profit was hosting honey-themed activities all week. See photos on page 8. /ANGELICA INGRAM Staff

Criticism for short-term rental bylaw

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

While there was both support for and opposition to a proposed bylaw in Highlands East that would regulate short-term rentals, the vast majority of those who spoke at a public meeting on Aug. 29 spoke against the bylaw.

About 100 residents filled the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre for the meeting.

Since the issue first came through one of the township's advisory committees two years ago, a task group has been working on the creation of a bylaw.

Technically, council is actually looking at two bylaws. One would be an amendment to township's zoning bylaw, to make short-term rental accommodations a permitted use. Currently, they are not listed as a permitted use in the zoning bylaw.

The second bylaw, which would exist under the auspices of the Municipal Act, would regulate short-term rental accommodations and penalize those who don't comply.

Among the features of the proposed bylaw are a licensing fee that would be \$300 to cover a three-year period; a limit of two renters per bedroom, plus an additional two people, per household; a minimum rental of five consecutive nights; and a limit of one rental dwelling per person per lake.

Some residents voiced concern about the working group itself, which consisted

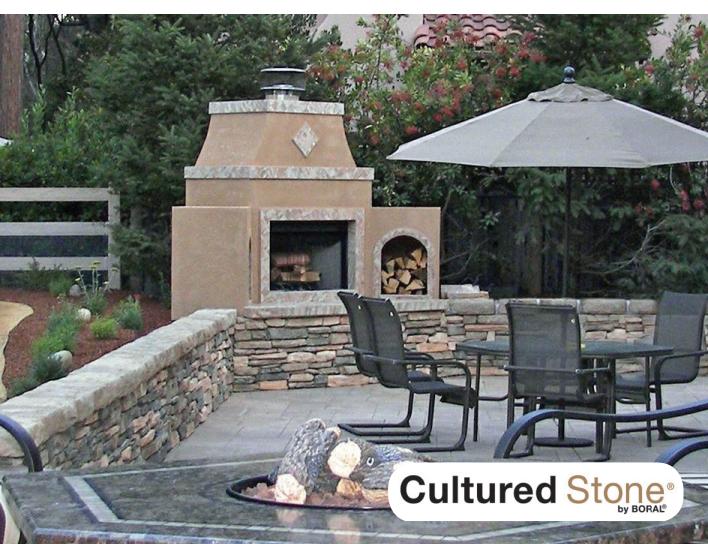
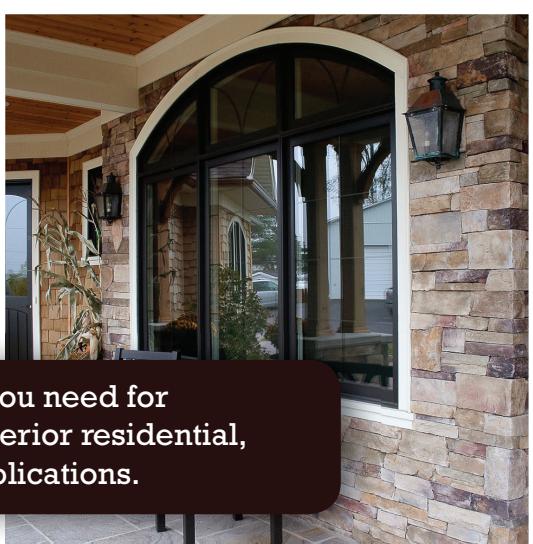
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Pianos strike a chord throughout county

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

George McElroy has to remove framed photos of cherished piano, organ and singing teachers from the top of the seven-foot Steinway grand piano lovingly kept in his basement, in order to lift the lid of the instrument for a peek inside. There on the soundboard of the piano gifted to McElroy's friend John Bailey is a signature in felt-tip pen from Henry Z. Steinway himself noting that it was personally selected by him for Miss Madeline Bone.

Bone was Bailey's teacher, and was described in a 1958 issue of the *Canadian Statesman* as being, "one of the busiest and most popular of the women teachers at the Royal Conservatory [of Music]." She was an established concert pianist, performing with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and with the Ten Piano Ensemble, a touring piano show founded by Bone's teacher, Mona Bates, in 1931 to fundraise for war efforts.

It was around 1950 that Bone had originally tried to purchase a Steinway at Eaton's in Toronto, but was sent to New York instead.

"I don't think many people went down there to buy pianos, they'd buy them at Eaton's," said Bailey, who was gifted the piano from his teacher and friend upon her death. "But she was looking for a particular kind of piano, the sound and everything."

Bone would likely be thrilled to see her piano in McElroy's home next to Kashagawigamog Lake.

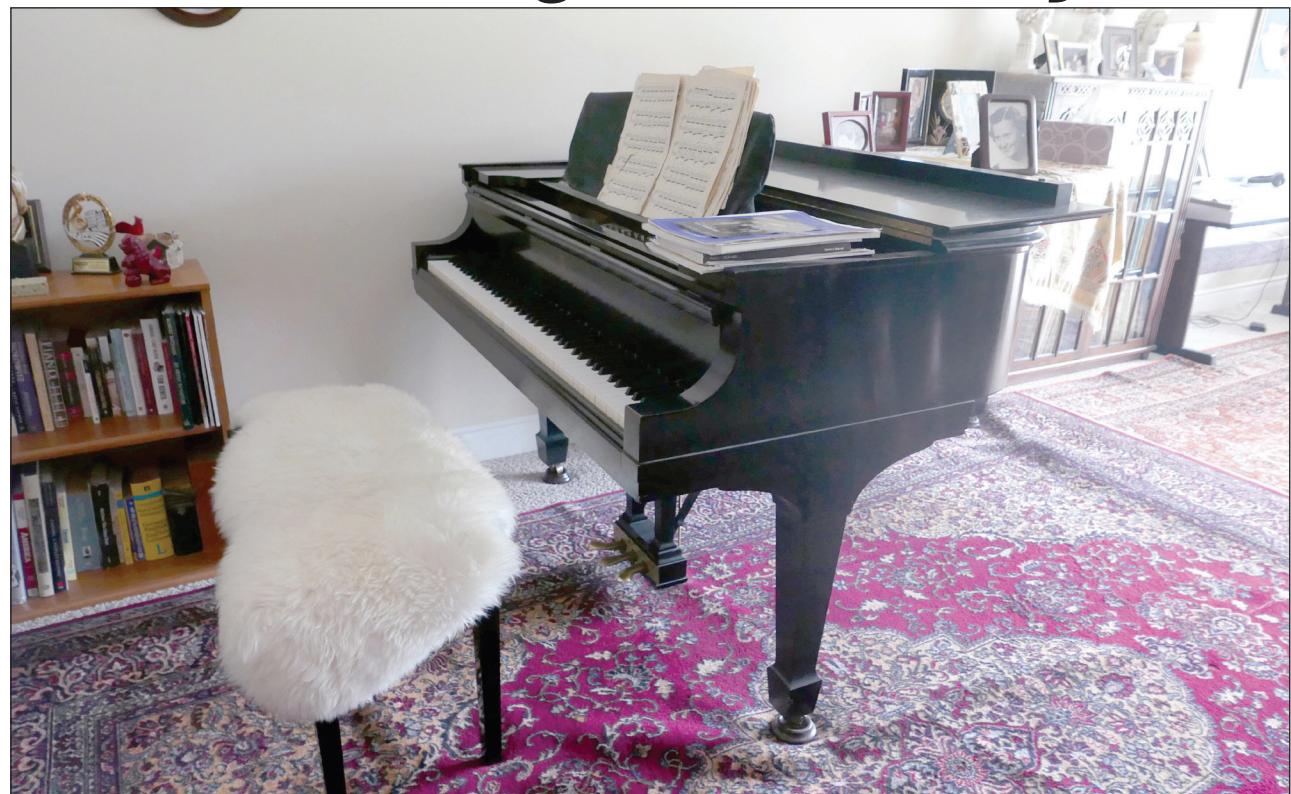
"She'd probably be happy to know that the piano is up here in Haliburton, which she loved, and that it's still being played by people she knows," he said.

The piano is one of many in Haliburton County that has an interesting history and can be found in homes and cottages down dirt roads, carefully transported from where they were first made.

A Bechstein piano made in 1888 was gifted to the Highlands Opera Studio this year from an anonymous donor on Redstone Lake. Lauren McInnes, a former faculty member of the Royal Conservatory of Music, brought a piano with her when she moved to the area.

"My husband knew that I would never move away from Toronto unless I had my own grand piano to bring with me," she said. "We bought it and moved up here shortly after and many kids have learned to play on that instrument, and several have gone on to study piano in university."

Students at Haliburton's high school with a keen interest in music who play at a high level have the advantage of playing on a Yamaha C7 grand piano, the best-selling and most-recorded piano in the world. The piano was purchased for the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion through generous benefactors in the area who



Madeline Bone's piano, gifted to John Bailey, has a home in George McElroy's Haliburton home. "A piano can be a central part of a house, or a home," said McElroy. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

raised funds and made use of a Yamaha Canada program that would offer attractive and aggressive pricing to groups building a new facility.

"We were fortunate that the piano we ended up with has been praised by many excellent pianists that have played it," said Len Pizzey, who was involved in the community effort to acquire the piano.

Pizzey said one of the most interesting comments came from Marc-André Hamelin, a super virtuoso who can play the most difficult of music and composes his own.

"He's on the top level of the world scale of pianists," said Pizzey. "He said it inspired him, which is quite a compliment coming from someone who is world-renowned."

In some communities where a grand piano might not be available, Pizzey said it's typical for pianists to go to Steinway or Yamaha and have a piano shipped to the theatre to be played.

"To play a grand piano like that, unless you have one yourself, it's quite a different experience because it's so responsive, so resonant, so beautiful," he said.

Nick Jonas, the youngest member of the Jonas Brothers, appreciated the grand piano at the Pinestone Resort on which he wrote the song, "A Little Bit Longer" in 2007 so much that his parents contacted the Pinestone in 2009 to purchase that same piano.

"I would walk by the room [Nick] was in and hear him playing, and he would tell me he really enjoyed it up here in Haliburton," then-manager of the Pinestone Cynthia Romanyk told the *Echo* of the Jonas Brothers' stay in the area while filming Disney movie *Camp Rock*.

The parents contacted me and asked me to find that piano that Nick wrote the song on. I told them we had it and they asked me if they could give it to him for his birthday, which I agreed to. When they arrived, Nick told me he was so excited to be getting the piano because it held a special meaning to him."

The brothers presented the Pinestone with the platinum award they received for the song, and replaced the piano once it was shipped to California.

Jessie Pflug in Algonquin Highlands was gifted a Young Chang grand piano by her husband, Don, for her 50th birthday.

"Unbeknownst to me, my husband had planned a surprise party and invited a lot of our friends and wrapped up was a little tiny grand piano," she said. "What he had done was just wrapped up a toy piano that he had painted black, with a card. He wanted to make sure that the one he chose for me was the one I would love."

Jessie said playing the piano relaxes her.

"As far as how I felt my ability was, I felt this piano was certainly better than how I can play, but I have thoroughly, thoroughly enjoyed it and it has just been a fantastic gift, a neat thing to bring into my life," she said.

Noting the cost of such an instrument, she said it was not something she might have thought to purchase herself.

"If he'd asked me, I would have said, no," she laughed. "No way, Don! So I'm really, really, really glad that he didn't ask me."

Jessie said their lives are filled with music, as Don's passion is playing the organ. Recently he heard of a pump organ that was on its last legs.

"Well, that was just too much to take, so he completely reorganized the music room upstairs and now this pretty little pump organ is sitting there rather than at the dump," she said.

Lisa Kerr brought an antique baby grand Baldwin piano with her to Minden when she moved from Scarborough, but over time it could no longer be restored.

"I actually bought it when my daughter was born, to commemorate that," she said.

Now, a Young Chang piano in her Mountain Lake home gets much use from her, her kids and their friends, and guests. It was even used this past February for a Those Other Movies silent movie event, in which world-renowned concert pianist Bruce Vogt played the soundtrack to two silent movies for 50 guests in Kerr's living room.

Kerr has been playing piano since she was 10, and taking piano lessons from McInnes for years.

"It sounds like I'd be really good by now," she laughed. "But I do love it. It's kind of how I meditate and I just enjoy it very much."

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Strong connection with piano 'like talking to an old friend'

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Shawn Chamberlin plays a Heintzman upright piano built in 1893 that he said had been tenderly looked after and played for years before he said he "was lucky enough to end up with it in my possession" about 13 years ago, after an owner had had it for about 60 years. It's now at the Dominion Hotel in Minden.

He said the piano had been sitting idle but after tuning and care, it got up to snuff.

"Back then, things were built to last," he said. Heintzman in Toronto was the number one manufacturer of pianos for homes and schools, according to Chamberlin. The piano has brought him joy and he said, "she's super, she's special."

"The piano experience is more than just listening for the audience, it does as much for the performer who's playing it," he said. "The way that the keys feel on the tips of your fingers and the way the action responds and feeds back to you when you push a key and how it pushes back. Every piano is like a person, it has a personality and character. You get to the point where you, it's like talking to an old friend and they respond back to you and give you feedback. That's the joy."

In Haliburton, Reuben Maughan has acquired numerous free pianos over the years, beginning with a piano from the Orange Lodge in Haliburton.

"It was this huge upright Williams, originally a player piano," he remembered. "You could put a scroll in and it would play itself."

The piano was, according to Maughan, "just enormous," and required six people to help move it into the home he stayed

at when he left for university in Kingston.

"They joked I should tether all my stuff to this piano because it was never leaving," he laughed.

Unfortunately, the piano didn't leave with Maughan, as it was so difficult to move.

"It's one of the great regrets of my life," he said. "I left it there. I really wish I hadn't. It was just too big for me to handle. I doubt very much it would still be there."

A five foot white grand piano is the seventh piano Maughan has taken on, his "first and only grand."

"Some of them didn't even make it past the garage," he said. "They look fine, and then you get into them and realize this is never going to work, or this is going to cost too much to repair."

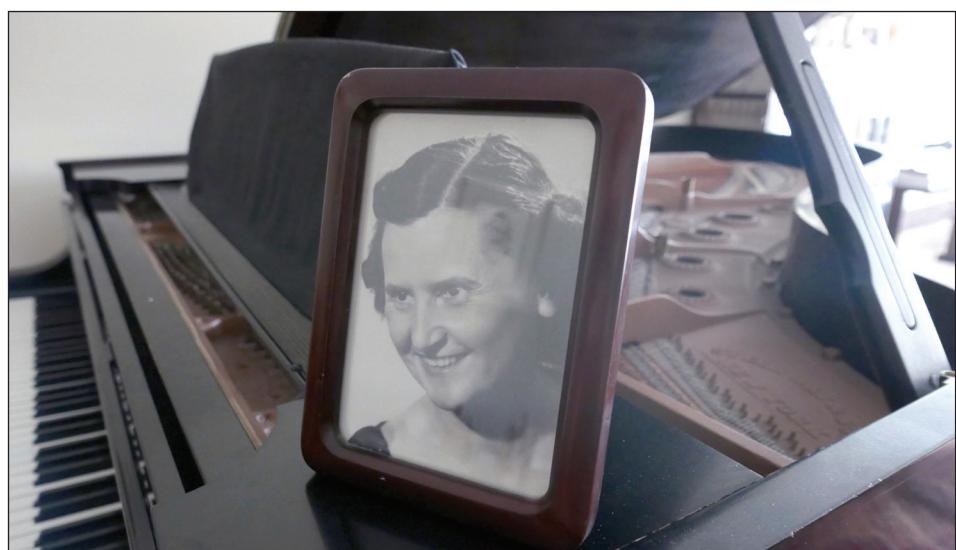
When the high school in Bracebridge wanted to replace their grand piano with an electronic keyboard that took up a lot less space and required less maintenance, Maughan made the trek there to pick it up.

"It's a lovely instrument, very responsive," he said. "It's one of the nicest I've ever played, but the case is beat up terribly. For anyone else...I just want an instrument I can play. It's perfect for me."

Though he said it's the first free grand piano he's ever seen, he acknowledges it hasn't been without cost.

"There's no such thing as a free piano," he said. "You call them free, then there are expenses to tune them and move them and fix them."

Still, it's worth it for Maughan, who has invested time, money and energy into restoring the piano. It's a Lester, made in 1922 during the golden age of piano



Madeline Bone, whose piano is now in Haliburton, was described in a 1958 issue of the Canadian Statesman as being, "one of the busiest and most popular of the women teachers at the Royal Conservatory (of Music)." She was an established concert pianist, performing with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and with the Ten Piano Ensemble, a touring piano show founded by Bone's teacher, Mona Bates, in 1931 to fundraise for war efforts. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

building and unique because it is a North American piano. It was originally a player piano, and originally had a mahogany finish.

"There aren't a lot of North American pianos being made anymore, so to have a North American piano is very nice," said Maughan.

Though his piano tuner has been trying to convince him to give up on his efforts and purchase a new piano rather than save money for the next repair, Maughan insists he wants that one.

"We've worked on it now, so it's not just a nice instrument, it's a nice instru-

ment that has care – blood, sweat and tears – in it."

For Maughan, who has been playing piano since he was about four or five years old, having a piano in the house is essential.

"Having a piano is important to me, and an acoustic piano, too," he said. "They've made amazing strides in the sound of electronic instruments but nothing beats that acoustic sound."

Then he hesitates.

"I wouldn't say no to a harpsichord, but that's another story," he laughed.

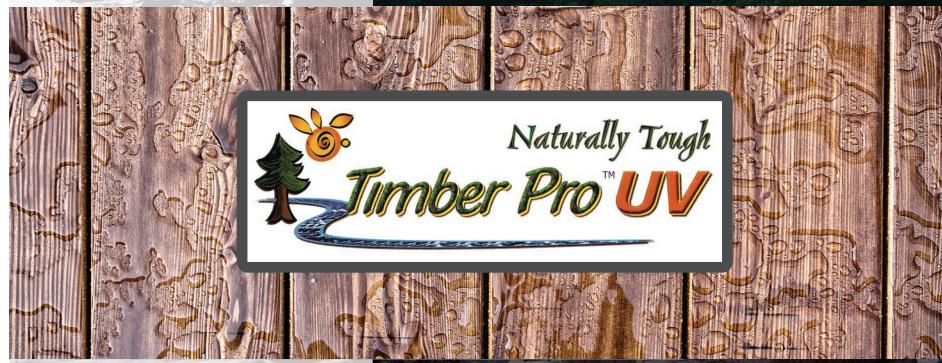
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Bylaw unpopular among meeting attendees

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of one "concerned citizen," one representative of a cottage rental agency, one operator of an Airbnb, and two members of council.

"I don't believe that is a fair cross-section at all," one woman told council.

Another asked if the public could see minutes from meetings of the task group, but was told by staff that no minutes were kept, since it was a working group, not an advisory committee. There was also criticism that the task group had been hand-selected, and that a public call for members had not gone out.

A number of residents criticized the proposed bylaw for babying or micro-managing property owners.

"They don't need to be told like children how to deal with their renters," said Cheryl Ellis, who is running against Mayor Dave Burton for his seat in the upcoming municipal election.

Many of the people who spoke were residents who rent out their cottages, and they stressed they responsibly vet people who use their properties and that if renters are problematic, they don't return.

"That's certainly the case as it is with me, poor guests are not invited back," one man told councillors. He also noted that renting out his waterfront property allows him and wife to own it in the first place.

"We want to pass this tradition along to our children," he said, noting how expensive it has become to get into the cottage market.

Many noted that while renters seem to get blamed for noise and parking problems, there are many "locals" or property owners who generate those problems as well.

One woman said it's written in her rental agreement that she can come by for spot checks on renters, and that if they are breaking any of her rules, she can evict them immediately.

Resident Steve Cosentino, who ran against Burton in the 2014 election, said



he thought council was creating two sets of standards; one for renters, and one for owners.

"I think the same thing should apply to owners, if you're going to go down this road," Cosentino said. "I think if maybe we were all on the same playing field, then maybe this wouldn't be an issue."

Cosentino prefaced his remarks by saying, "You are really a brave bunch of people sitting up there, I'll give you that."

There was palpable tension in the room throughout the two-hour meeting.

Another common criticism was that if the township just enforced its existing noise and parking bylaws, there would be no need for a bylaw regulating short-term rentals.

Cheryl Easton, a Bancroft area realtor, told councillors they should think about what a regulatory bylaw could do to property values, or how it might affect whether or not people buy property within Highlands East.

"The biggest thing you need to think about, is what is your resale value going to be if this is passed," she said, adding she could foresee potential buyers ask-

ing where they could go to find properties without rental restrictions.

"I'll take them to Baptiste, I'll take them to Wollaston," she said.

One man who spoke in favour of the proposed bylaw said cottages that are rented out regularly are essentially businesses, and therefore should be zoned and taxed commercially.

"You buy a second, and a third . . . then it's a business," he said, adding later, "Something needs to be done to legalize what's going on."

One woman who spoke against short-term rentals told councillors she wanted to know who lived in the residences around her.

"I want to know who my neighbours are," she said, adding that more and more places are for rent for longer periods of time. "It's becoming too many, too often."

Burton told the audience that all of the feedback would be carefully considered by the task group, and agreed to add three new members to the group.

Highlands East would be the first township in Haliburton County to pass a bylaw regulating rentals.

County council hears about Innisfil/Uber transit model

JENN WATT

Editor

After hearing a presentation about the transit partnership between the Town of Innisfil and ride sharing company Uber, Haliburton County council passed a resolution to make contact with Uber and Innisfil for more information.

Council heard that Innisfil launched the partnership last year, after having no previous public transit system. The presentation, which was created by the Town of Innisfil, but presented by county planner Charsey White, outlined the steps taken to make the idea a reality.

White said that Innisfil staff had brought the idea to their council about creating a "demand-based transit system."

"Council was excited by this and ultimately approved \$100,000 for 2017 and \$125,000 for 2018 based on preliminary research which was suggesting this demand-based system would be considerably cheaper both in startup and overall costs," she said.

They created an advisory committee that included residents and stakeholders and eventually approached Uber directly.

The fare is subsidized by the town, offering a flat fare to popular destinations. There is a \$5 discount for all other rides beginning or ending in Innisfil, according to Innisfil Transit's website.

The website reads: "To make the service

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School board open to feedback, Hope says

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follow the curriculum set forth by the province and encouraged those with concerns to talk to teachers or administrators before taking concerns to the province.

"There's two pieces to our response and the first one is around the curriculum," said Hope. "We'll always follow the curriculum that we are prescribed by the Ministry of Education, the Education Act is crystal clear about that. It always has been that way."

Hope further added that curriculum guidelines are just that, guidelines, and educators will always use professional judgment to enrich the curriculum in "whatever way they see fit or is necessary in their classroom."

Demand-based transit system can be scaled and adapted

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as efficient as possible, Innisfil Transit was built on top of uberPOOL, our carpooling service. It matches riders going in the same direction so they can share a vehicle and the cost of the ride."

According to statistics presented at the meeting, in 2017 between May 15 and Dec. 31, Innisfil Transit provided 26,688 trips and spent almost \$150,000 subsidizing them. There were 3,493 users of the service during that time.

Rider surveys showed high satisfaction levels and steadily growing ridership.

"The benefit of starting out with this type of demand-based system is that it can be scaled and adapted to meet the demand, and changing demand, through the seasons," White read from the presentation.

Innisfil and Haliburton County have significant differences in population and geography, however. Innisfil has much denser population, with 37,000 people spread over 262 square kilometres. Haliburton County has a population closer to 18,000 spread over 4,000 square kilometres.

Still, councillors commented there could be a version of the model that works in the Highlands.

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said the presentation brought up questions around how to fund rides in such a large county and what to do if people started using the subsidized rides so frequently it became unaffordable. She said she liked the idea and wanted to hear more.

"I think this offers a little more flexibility from what we've been talking about," she said.

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey was also positive about the idea.

"Haliburton County is unique and you just can't have three or four buses running around," he said, adding it would create jobs for drivers.

County councillors were told that this kind of partnership would qualify for gas tax funding, however, it wasn't known how much Innisfil received. Staff were asked to find that figure.

White said the transportation task force has already been looking at a version of this model.

"[T]he Transportation Task Force looked at the Uber model, it was included in the business case to county council last year," White wrote in response to questions from the Echo. "And from that business case is how council arrived where the consultant is working today, on a demand based booked shared ride. The systems/concept are very similar, and the consultant is creating how this can be rolled out in the county through their implementation plan."

Her email said it wasn't yet clear if Uber would work in Haliburton County, but perhaps elements of that model could be applied locally.

Council passed a resolution for staff to contact Uber for more information.

"We know that our teachers are continually confronted with new situations, with new realities and circumstances and we always expect them to respond appropriately to those things," he said.

In regards to the new reporting mechanism the province has established to deal with the curriculum change, Hope said his advice is to talk to teachers first.

"If you have a concern with your child, or a teacher or what's going on in their school ... we always encourage open, two-way communication between parents and teachers. If parents don't get satisfaction through that route, always encourage them to take the next step and of course that would be to the school principal ... and we'll be reinforcing that in the coming days with moms and dads and caregivers. We have never supported going from A to Z when there are many, many steps along the way that a parent can follow when they have a concern."

Hope said in addition to teachers and administrators, parents and caregivers can also contact trustees, supervisory officers and himself if there is a concern.

The Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) agreed with the board and in a media release issued on Aug. 22 shared similar sentiments.

"Teachers, education professionals and principals have regular communication and relationships with parents and students that have worked well. Having a Minis-

try of Education 'snitch line' that bypasses the systems already in place to deal with issues at the school level will prohibit parents and educators from addressing classroom concerns constructively. As we've seen from social media, anonymous portals and comment threads are toxic and counter-productive to improving any situation, in this case school culture," said ETFO president Sam Hammond.

Moving forward, Hope said there is an opportunity to contribute to the curriculum through the consultation process that was recently announced.

He added there has always been opportunity to have your voice heard regarding the issue and that in the past the board has received little opposition to the proposed 2015 curriculum.

"We absolutely want folks to have their voice heard," he said. "In Trillium Lakelands we have not had very much feedback at all about the revised curriculum."

The director of education wants there to be an atmosphere of trust and openness between parents and the school board and hopes that continues to be the case.

"I hope that our parents and committees feel comfortable enough with us, as an organization as an institution, to be able to speak with us directly," he said.

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

Goodbye, good friend

ANGELICA INGRAM came to work as a reporter at the *Haliburton Echo and Min-den Times* during a time of flux. As readers will remember from her column last week, her arrival came just about a month after the departure of longtime editor Martha Perkins as well as *Echo* reporter Matt James. Within a month of her arriving, David Zilstra announced he, too, was leaving for a job in Barrie. (David later decided to return to the *Echo* to become publisher once again.)

Most people would find this scenario unsettling if not overwhelming.

But Angelica was unfazed. New to Haliburton, new to the newspaper and new to rural life, she grabbed hold of the opportunity and made it her own.

Friday, Aug. 31 was Angelica's last day at the *Echo and Times* as a reporter. This week she starts a new chapter at SIRCH Community Services.

In nearly nine years at the paper, she's more than made her mark.

Her work has earned her several awards from the provincial Better Newspapers Competition, including stories on post-traumatic stress disorder among emergency responders, male teachers in elementary education, a rare butterfly found in the Highlands and a house explosion in Highlands East.

She's covered everything from controversial council decisions to international entertainers. She struck up a friendship with Dan Hill, chatted on the dock with pop singer Shawn Desmond and photographed Blue Rodeo.

Those are some of the accomplishments. But really, what most of us at the paper and those who have met

her in the community – and there must be thousands who have met her – know her for is her way with people.

When I first interviewed Angelica for the job back in fall of 2009, her enthusiasm for a new challenge was clear in her voice. No matter how I tried to scare her off, she just laughed. There are no shopping malls here, I said. Not a problem. The demographics skew older. She said she'd find friends. She embraced the Highlands from her first day here and has never wavered.

She's as comfortable interviewing an international recording artist as she is at the fur harvesters' workshop. A coveted trait in a reporter – or anyone, for that matter.

On a personal level, Angelica's arrival came at just the right time for me. I was learning the ropes at a job I'd never done before and I needed someone to lean on. I got that and much more. She caught

my typos and helped me laugh at my missteps. She gave me ideas for the paper and was willing to step in whenever I needed an extra hand.

We've got an incredible staff here at the papers. I don't think we say that enough. Angelica's warm presence has been an integral part of the whole, which includes smart, hard-working, dedicated people who put themselves into their work every week.

She always brought her best to the office, to her reporting and to the paper. Although we will miss her incredibly, we also all wish her the very best. Lucky for all of us, she's staying right here in the community where we can continue to enjoy her joyful nature and infectious enthusiasm.



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Editorial

Time to leave

SHE HEARD THE water lapping lazily beneath her as the raft moved ever so slightly. Water was never completely still in the little bay. There was always a slight tug and pull of current from the distant river that spilled into it.

Molly breathed in the air heavy with the rich earthy smell of vegetation and wetlands. It's so pleasant here, she thought. Her skin was turned to the sun, still intense but less so than in July. She knew she was probably going to regret this last time on the raft. Tight red skin. She'll pay tonight when she lies on her crisp city sheets but she won't care because the sunburn will remind her of this moment. The sparkling, clean warmth of sunlight and water.

It was almost time to leave. The past two weeks had seeped away like rain on moss. Every day she had brought her favourite old towel, spread it on the rough boards of the raft and lay there. Even in the rain, of which there were a couple of days, she lay there. If her friends at home had seen her they would have thought she was daft. Maybe I am a little daft, she thought as she continued to lie there.

But she wanted to feel and smell and hear it all. Because the memories always came rushing back once she was settled on those rough boards. She never tired of them. Memories were Molly's way of re-living all the summers so many years before.

Cannonball leaps off the same raft. Swimming under its huge drums to emerge in that secret space beneath where no one could find her. Listening to the water, to the loons out in the big lake. Feeling the lazy calm of nothing else to do but decide whether or not to flip over on her other side. Anticipating lunch. Anticipating supper. Anticipating a marshmallow roast followed by a skinny dip before bed in soft old flannel sheets.

The timeless quality of being outside in nature with nothing else to do but enjoy her senses. No worries. No pressures of time or money. To just be.

Of course when she was little she took

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Our road

it all for granted. Those endless summer days when she practically lived out-of-doors. Gobble down lunch and head back out. Picking raspberries, then later blackberries and getting legs and arms scratched only to jump into the water and feel them stinging but somehow not really hurting. Feeling so alive.

It was pushing toward mid-afternoon and Molly knew she was running out of time. One last swim, she told herself and then she'd have to pack the car and head out. The water broke around her cool and welcoming. Stay here, it seemed to say. Dive and kick, tread and float. Look up at the sky and pretend nothing else matters.

But she knew other things did matter. She had to go to work tomorrow. Her job was what enabled her to keep the cottage after her parents died. Taxes, insurance, repairs to an old structure. Even the raft would eventually need replacing.

Molly really had nothing to complain about and she knew it. She knew how lucky she was to have this place and all the wonderful memories that came with it. Her life in the city was a good one. But she refused to refer to that life as "the real world" as she often heard others do. There were many "real worlds" and none more real than others. Just different. Some worlds were more enjoyable, more profitable, more demanding, but they were all real.

Tonight she will sleep soundly, surrounded by millions of people and all that came with that. She will wake in the morning and ride the subway to her good job which she liked and maybe have lunch with friends in a rushed and crowded place.

And after an easy supper, she will take a glass of wine and sit on her balcony and watch the twinkling, moving lights spread out like some magical carpet of humanity. She'll lean back in her comfortable, stylish outdoor chair and look up at the dark sky where no stars are discernible. Molly will remember the Big Dipper and Milky Way she saw last night and smile. Because they will always be there for her.



by Darren Lum

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points of view

Immature humour

I LOVE HUMOUR OF all forms but I have to say a recent visit from my oldest daughter Jennifer and my 22-month-old grandson Hudson has showed me that I picked the most difficult type of humour to make a living at. In case you never picked up on it, I write humour and I have recently come to understand there are much easier ways to make people laugh.

I learned this at breakfast after I cracked Hudson up by saying "Good morning!" and then adding "blub, blub, blub!" in a goofy voice, while waving my arms excitedly in the air.

(You had to be there.)

This joke incited a good belly laugh from Hudson and a call for several encores, which I was happy to provide. After those, my grandson was laughing so hard that my daughter Jennifer and Jenn, my better half, each tried to get him to do the same thing too – but with little success.

"It's all in the delivery," I said.

The truth is my standup routine has always done well with the rural zero to two-year-old demographic. When it comes to my written work, however, they simply don't get it.

I tested this theory later by sliding one of my better newspaper columns over to Hudson. Sadly, it did not seem to be enough to hold his attention, though he was smitten with an ad that showed a truck.

Yet, when I stole his nose, he laughed till it hurt.

This is making me think I might have a problem when Hudson's generation comes of age. It means that if I am to stay relevant in the humour business when Hudson is 25 and I am 78, I'm going to have to either incorporate his generation's immature humour into my columns or develop a stand-up routine that will make me a rock star.

If the signals Hudson is giving me are any indication, I will have to develop a very physical form of comedy, which will not be an easy thing to do from a walker. My routine will include bits where I pretend to pull candy out of an audience member's ear or jingle car keys to them all. I might also have to resort to sticking out my tongue and popping it back in when I touch my nose. Trust me, it will be cutting edge stuff.

It won't be easy for me to make the transition though. Regular readers of this column know two things: first, my humour is nothing if not cerebral and, second, it is the brain that keeps them regular.

See what I did there?

Unfortunately, that joke did not do too well with Hudson who, like all two-year-olds, does not give regularity a second thought. Yet, this is precisely the kind of high-brow humour that has allowed me to rise to the lofty heights of the lucrative humour column scene.

Right now, all I can hope for is that Hudson and kids his age eventually develop a sense of humour and an understanding of the subtle nuances contained in a newspaper column. Frankly, I don't think the stand-up route is for me.

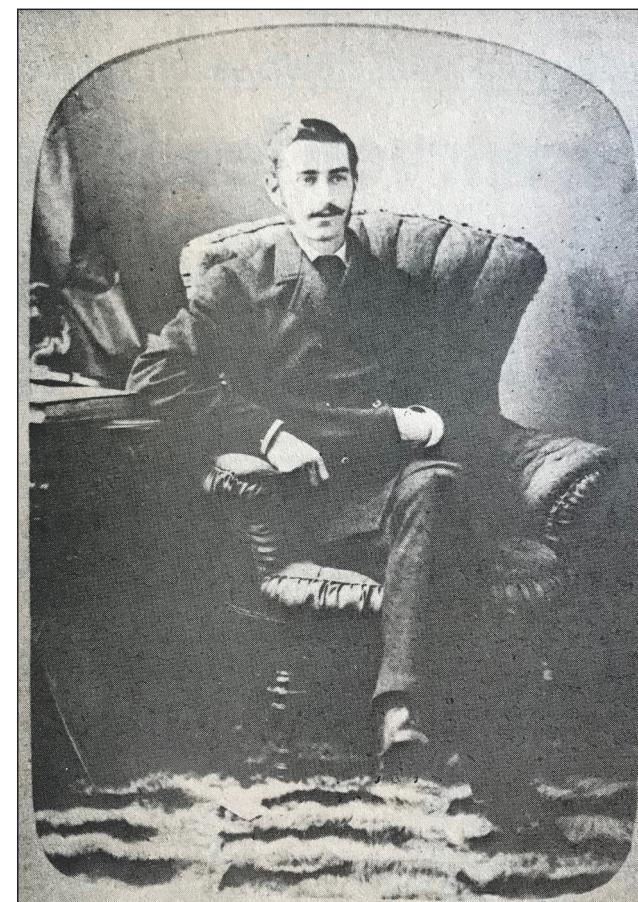
Instead I might try to meld my humour column with the physical stuff that these young toddlers love so much.

It might be impossible to pull off. But I guess you never know till you try. So I'll end it with that ... and "blub, blub, blub!"



Loon Tales

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pic of the past

Dr. Edward Spilsbury was a medical doctor in Haliburton Village from 1881 to 1886. In 1882 Haliburton had two cricket teams, the Twenty-Two All Comers and The First Eleven. Dr. Spilsbury played for the First Eleven and they also travelled by train to Lindsay in competition with the Lindsay Cricket Club. Dr. Spilsbury was the eldest son of Charles and Caroline (Attril) Spilsbury of Peterborough and grandson of Captain Francis B. Spilsbury of Collborne. After leaving Haliburton he studied for two years in Edinburgh, Paris and London, specializing in nose, throat and larynx. He then returned to lecture at Trinity and the Conservatory of Music in Toronto. He later became a surgeon at Toronto General Hospital. /Photo from the Echo archives

letters to the editor

The power of positive signage

To the Editor,

A couple of weeks ago we read of the excellent volunteer work done by the Rotary Club to enhance the rough and frequently muddy section of the Head Lake Trail where walkers have to make their way between Harmony Road and Pine Avenue.

Unfortunately, and especially for those visitors who do not have intimate knowledge of our village's streets and avenues, the signage is both misleading and inadequate.

Misleading in the fact that the two signposts, one on a domestic driveway and the other on Pine Avenue, are not visible from each other. Second, the signpost standing on Pine Avenue is misleading by being improperly rotated by 90 degrees so that its arrows point the wrong way. The inadequacy stems from the fact that the next signpost is as far as 1 km further along the trail, at Rotary Beach. There is nothing to indicate that walkers need to follow Pine Avenue for about 750 m to Park Street, where they turn right and follow the sidewalk to Rotary Beach, crossing the heavier traffic on Maple Avenue.

At Rotary Beach there are even more problems due to improperly planned drainage adding to the Head Lake Trail signpost which points, again, in

the wrong direction. There used to be two painted white lines close to the north side of the parking lot, which could be taken to be showing a sidewalk, this spring only one was repainted. Let alone the fact that the misplaced signpost does not point to this sidewalk, there is no indication whatever to show that the Head Lake Trail follows this sidewalk along Park Street.

This is where the power of positive signage can really show its strength. At the entrance to Granite Cove only negative signs emphasizing "no," "don't," etc., can be erected, as trespassers crossing the property along the shoreline face the real risks of climbing over the barrier at Sunnyside Street which carries Hwy. 118 traffic.

Positive signs, such as signposts, signs carried on arms attached to Hydro poles, the name "Head Lake Trail" and painted footprints will, either singly or in combination, make it very clear where the Head Lake Trail goes from the beach.

In 2013 following the construction of Granite Cove apartments, the dusty gravel parking lot was paved with asphalt. This parking lot serves many groups from tennis players, Lakeside Church goers, families enjoying the beach and the newly erected exercise equipment to attendees at Head

see BEACH page 9

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honey week



Pottery process

At left, local potter Lisa Barry instructs a workshop for kids on how to make a honey pot out of clay at Abbey Gardens on Aug. 30. The not-for-profit organization was hosting honey-themed activities all week, including workshops.

Above left, nine-year-old Amory Meyn works on making a honey pot out of clay.

Above right, seven-year-old Mitchell Neville pinches the side of his honey pot. /ANGELICA INGRAM Staff



Dipping into creativity

Left, participants dip their wicks in beeswax, learning how to make candles at an Abbey Gardens activity on Wednesday, Aug. 29.

Above, wick hangs, weighted by a nut, covered with beeswax, as participants make candles on Wednesday, Aug. 29 at Abbey Gardens. More than a dozen participants took part in the activity - part of Honey Week, which celebrated bees and the role they play in pollination. /DARREN LUM Staff

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Beach washouts becoming a problem in park

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Lake events, including the ever popular Tuesday markets.

This summer, Algonquin Outfitters is operating a boat rental facility from the beach. But the change to asphalt has meant much more water from rainstorms flowing onto the beach resulting in washouts of beach sand and the degrading of the asphalted track used for park maintenance.

The cost of changing the drainage so that water will flow into Head Lake through the channel beside the culvert at

Granite Cove entrance is not going to be small. But both this job and a commitment by council to fully adopt the Head Lake Trail with the objective of enhancing its attractiveness and public use are matters of considerable concern.

I would hope that candidates for election or re-election to council this fall will take note and declare enthusiasm for these projects.

For a final note which dates back to the conversion from the railway station into what is now Rails End Gallery and the creation of Head Lake Park, there is an enamelled steel

sign beside the Head Lake Trail which has large rust patches. This was created by an agency of the federal government which might now be Parks Canada or the Trent-Severn Waterway and shows the watersheds, lakes and rivers in and around Haliburton County. It would be appropriate to get this updated to remove the association of "old rusty patches" with Haliburton.

Peter Brogden
Haliburton

Terry Fox Run needs a leader

This year, hundreds of thousands of people across Canada will lace up to participate in the annual Terry Fox Run scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 16. Now in its 38th year, the event's longevity is a testament to staying true to its roots: grassroots, volunteer-led, non-competitive, and family oriented.

We are still seeking a new volunteer to chair the Haliburton Terry Fox Run. In existence since 1982, Haliburton has hosted an annual Terry Fox Run and contributed more than \$146,000 to cancer research. The Terry Fox Foundation will work closely with the volunteer chair and provide support, training, and materials to ensure the success of this year's run. It's not too late!

Thirty-eight years have passed since that cold April morning when Terry Fox set out on his Marathon of Hope on the easternmost edge of our nation. In the ensuing years, millions of Canadians have followed in his footsteps to forge a uniquely Canadian event. Our greatest strength is the extraordinary team of Terry Fox volunteers that span from coast to coast, a human chain linked by a common purpose – to make a positive difference in the fight against cancer. They also share many of the attributes Canadians hold most dear: they are dedicated and driven, helpful and humble and, above all, they are caring and compassionate.

If you are an enthusiastic and organized individual who possesses exceptional leadership skills, and passionate about making a difference in the world, contact us today and join the mission to change lives for the better every day. For more information please contact Kim Smith, Ontario community events co-ordinator at kim@terryfoxrun.org or 1-888-836-9786 ext. 227.

-Submitted by Kim Smith



Outstanding

Sarah Williston shows her gymnastics skills on a paddle board at Grandma Pierson's home on beautiful Eagle Lake, in Haliburton. /Photo submitted

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Lady Archers on target one year later

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Toni Cooper may not have completely fulfilled her goal to be a full-time archery instructor yet, but is well on her way to empowering women in the Highlands through knowledge of the bow.

Her first ladies archery event, which attracted close to 100 participants over three days, was nearly one year ago.

This year's sold-out Lady Archers of Ontario ladies session is coming up on Sept. 16 and was restricted to 40 participants at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association fish hatchery. It not only includes guest instructor Bernie Nicholls, former NHLer and avid hunter, but also two other women: Cassandra Holtby and Shelby Prescott. They will tell their inspirational stories and stand as an example to session participants.

"Anybody can get into this ... I want women to feel, 'Yes, we can do anything.' I have this amazing woman come in to show her [skills] and tell her story. This day is going to be amazing," Cooper said. "It's going to be great. It's going to be good."

Cooper, a basic certified National Archery in Schools Program instructor never envisioned this kind of popularity when she planned the first session, mainly at the behest of friends. She only thought her friends would come, but 100



Toni Cooper is the founder of the Lady Archers of Ontario, which started close to a year ago. Her second Lady Archers of Ontario ladies session scheduled for Sept. 16 is already sold out. /Submitted by Toni Cooper

signed up.

Empowering and educating women and their children about getting outdoors and into archery was always the driving force behind starting the Lady Archers and from the personal responses she's received, it's clear she's doing that.

It's been a rewarding journey for her this past year from her own sessions and getting invited to teach at events organized by others.

Back in April, she held an archery sem-

inar with a focus on turkey hunting; a duck and goose seminar; and this coming weekend she's been asked by Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters to be a guest instructor for their ladies weekend. She will be providing a private session for Girl Guides in the Highlands later this year.

None of this would be possible without the support of the ladies, the guest instructors, local merchants, or outfitters, who have provided experiential prizes at

her sessions.

"Without that support that I get from different places, I wouldn't be able to do a lot of stuff to get ladies into it now," she said.

She has recently received three bows from Bell Outdoors, a distributor of hunting and fishing equipment. This equipment enables her to provide private lessons to women who don't have a bow.

Despite the crazy schedule, from juggling sessions and private lessons along with her full time work at a factory south of Haliburton, she feels fulfilled and knows it's heading toward her ultimate goal of teaching full time.

"I don't mind working hard for this because it's rewarding looking at all these women that have come out ... now they email me and go, 'I just bought a brand new bow!' It's amazing. That's awesome," she said.

She alludes to plans this winter, which will move her closer to her dream, but admits it will be a slow process to transition to teaching as a full-time job.

A lot has changed in a year, but there is great optimism for the future.

"Before, I thought: oh, my God can I get people to do this? Now it's like how am I going to get to do all these things that people want," she said. "It's good, but on some days it's: oh my goodness."

See www.ladyarchersofontario.ca for more information.

Mirabelle the deer still awaiting release

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The deer made famous locally for her rescue after being shot with an arrow close to Christmas last year is still recovering and has not yet been released, as was expected this past spring.

Mirabelle, the young doe a little more than a year old, remains at the Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary in Rosseau, said Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary founder and operator Monika Melichar.

Melichar was instrumental in co-ordinating the effort to rescue the deer after being contacted by residents, who had seen the injured deer around Haliburton. The deer was having difficulty feeding and moving due to the arrow protruding from her skull.

Recovery for Mirabelle has been slow due to the nerve damage caused by the wound, which was close to her eye.

Melichar said Mirabelle's nerves in her mouth have not fully recovered, restricting her jaw movements for feeding. The deer lives mainly on grain as a result.

Despite this, Mirabelle has been eating

the small buds off of branches, as would be available in the wild.

Several months have passed and Melichar said there has to be some atrophy with the jaw, but she is hopeful the nerves will eventually heal over time. She points out that legally the sanctuary in Rosseau can keep Mirabelle for up to a year before it must re-apply for permission to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

While in Rosseau Mirabelle found love.

Bow, a buck close to the same age, was also recovering from an arrow wound in his back. The pair developed a fondness for one another and Bow has been referred to as Mirabelle's boyfriend.

The buck has since recovered and was recently released in the Rosseau area. He returns and sees Mirabelle from outside the Rosseau enclosure. Melichar believes a release could be imminent for Mirabelle despite her jaw because of the relationship with Bow.

Melichar, who recently received the single largest donation from the community, welcomes donations to help her with running the sanctuary.



Creative contributions

Costumes using re-used materials are constructed for the procession at the annual Haliburton DrumFest on Saturday, Sept. 1 at Head Lake Park in Haliburton. The free admission event includes live performances, interactive opportunities, market vendors and food. See more photos in next week's Echo./DARREN LUM Staff

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All participants must qualify through their provincial/territorial organization to be eligible to participate in the national event.

The event brings together representatives from provinces and territories across the country. The amateur competitors participate out of a desire for friendly competition, socialization and fun. They show all of Canada the importance and value of active living.

All participants help to inspire others to maintain an active, healthy lifestyle at every age. The purpose of the Canada 55+ Games is to promote mental and physical health. At the 2018 Canada 55+ Games in St. John, NB, the oldest female was 93, representing the Yukon in cribbage. The oldest male was a 91-year-old hockey player from Quebec.

Nearly 2,300 participants took part in the 11th national games. It was the largest event St. John, NB has ever held. The sports schedule included 10-kilometre and five-kilometre runs, eight-ball pool, badminton, bowling – candlepin, bridge – duplicate, cribbage, curling, cycling, darts, floor shuffleboard, golf, hockey – men and women, horseshoes, lawn bowling, pickleball, scrabble, slo-pitch, swimming, tennis, and track and field. The Ontario team had 388 participants from its 33 districts competing in 21 events.

-Submitted by Bev Kerr

Ontario won 70.5 Gold, 55.5 Silver, and 39.5 Bronze. Ontario was first with 165.5 medals won, Alberta second with 164.5 and New Brunswick with 126. Haliburton/Muskoka District competitors won nine medals for Team Ontario. Congratulations to the Haliburton/Muskoka District competitors, part of the Ontario Team at the 2018 Canada 55+ Games at St. John, NB Aug. 21 to 24: Robert Pearce from Haliburton won gold in the men's low gross 65 plus golf, Karen Heaslip from Gravenhurst won silver in the ladies' low gross 75 plus golf, Bev Kerr from Haliburton won gold in the women's 55 plus 400 metre race walk predicted time, John Kerr from Haliburton won gold in the men's 55 plus 400 metre race walk predicted time, Sharon Ferris from Algonquin Highlands won gold in the women's 55 plus 1000 metre race walk predicted time, Frank Ferris from Algonquin Highlands won silver in the men's 55 plus 1000 metre and bronze in the 400 metre race walk predicted time, Jane Symons from Minden won silver in the women's 55 plus 400 metre race walk predicted time and bronze in the discus throw, Bev Alexander and Kaye Bull competing in the cribbage and all had a great time. Although by the very nature of games, the goal being to declare winners, the coming together for the games is the important thing. The next Canada 55+ Games is in 2020 that will be held in Kamloops, B.C.



The District 11 Haliburton/Muskoka representatives for the Ontario Team at the Canada 55+ Games opening ceremonies, from left at front, Kaye Bull of Minden, Bev Alexander of Minden, Karen Heaslip of Gravenhurst, Sharon Ferris of Algonquin Highlands, Bev Kerr of Haliburton. Back row, from left, Jane Symons of Minden, Robert Pearce of Haliburton, John Kerr of Haliburton and Frank Ferris of Algonquin Highlands. There were 388 participants representing Ontario. /Submitted by Bev Kerr

Poker run raises \$1,300 for Community Living

JENN WATT

Editor

Donations came rolling in for the first poker run for Community Living organized by the Haliburton Highlanders Riding Club on Saturday, Aug. 25.

The event included games, barbecue, ice cream and a ride across the countryside starting at the Victoria Street offices of Community Living.

Riders followed a route from Haliburton down County Road 1 and 121 to Kinmount, stopping at Furnace Falls. From there they travelled to Bancroft, stopping at the Shell station, then on to Y Road, Baptiste Lake Road and to Wilberforce for their third stop.

Club members said the route was about 200 kilometres in total, on "nice, scenic, good roads."

With the help of volunteers, they brought in \$1,300 for Community Living Trent Highlands, with the money desig-

nated to stay in the community.

They thanked Classy Chassis, Tim Hortons, Foodland, Independent Grocer, Touch of Class, West Guilford Shopping Centre, Parker Pad and Printing and Paradigm Design as well as club members, Community Living volunteers and staff

for making the event a success.

They intend to do it again next year, perhaps earlier in the season.

You can find out more about the club and their next event by following them on Facebook.



Riders head out on the Haliburton Highlanders Riding Club's first poker run. The event benefitted Community Living Trent Highlands and included a barbecue and games. \$1,300 was raised during the day. /TIM TOFFLEMIRE Special to the Echo

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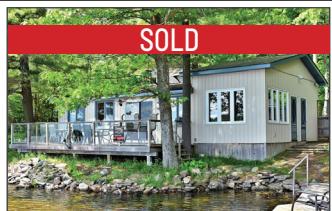
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Health unit providing resources for opioid addiction

Help is here to fight the problem of opioid addictions that is hitting close to home.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge

District Health Unit is promoting harm reduction programs and services that are available in Northumberland County, Haliburton County and the City of

Kawartha Lakes.

By raising awareness of these harm reduction efforts, the goal is to address the negative effects of highly-addictive drugs, reduce the spread of illness, and ultimately save lives.

"We know there is a growing problem of opioid-related addictions, overdoses and deaths in our communities, so it is important we take steps to counteract this situation," says Karen Taylor, a public health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit.

Providing free naloxone kits/training and needle exchange programs are vital harm reduction services that address substance misuse and addiction, adds Angela Andrews, a health promoter with the HKPR District Health Unit.

"Harm reduction means taking steps to prevent or reduce the risk of injury and illness," she says. "So when we offer free naloxone kits, provide clean needles, and safe disposal options, we are promoting harm reduction. It's no different than we encourage people to use seatbelts or apply sunscreen."

Locally, people can access these harm reduction services:

- Free naloxone kits and training are available through health unit offices in Port Hope, Lindsay, and Haliburton. Naloxone is an emergency medicine that temporarily reverses the effects of an opioid overdose until the victim can get to hospital for treatment. Many local police and emergency responders already carry naloxone, and free kits are provided at many local pharmacies. People can go online (www.ontario.ca/naloxone) to search for additional locations in

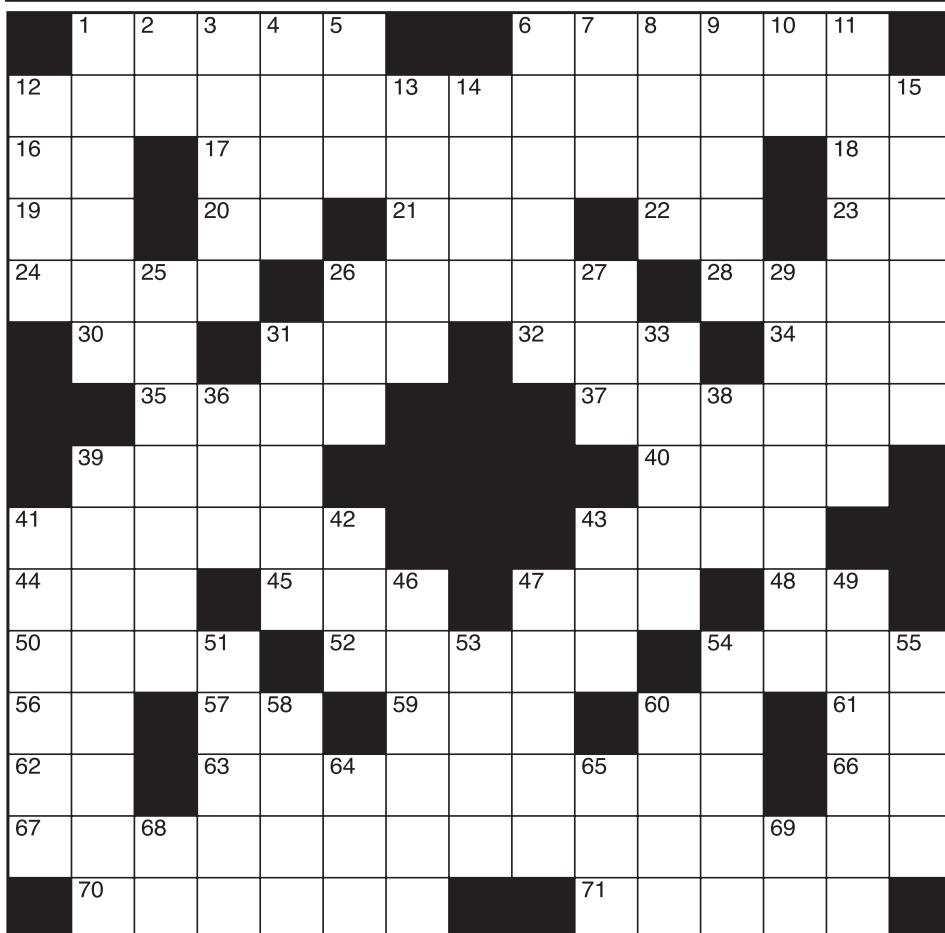
their community.

- Needle exchange programs (NEPs) are also based in all three local health unit offices, providing clean needles and equipment free-of-charge to individuals who inject and inhale drugs. NEPs help to reduce the spread of infections like HIV and Hepatitis B and C, which can occur if someone shares equipment/needles for drugs. The program allows trained health unit staff to connect with individuals who may be looking for treatment options or other support programs. Other NEP locations in the area can also be found by visiting the Ontario Harm Reduction Distribution Program website (www.ohrdp.ca/find/find-a-needle-syringe-program).

- Mobile Van Outreach Services (<http://parn.ca/mobile-van-outreach-services>) are provided throughout Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes. Led by PARN – Your AIDS Resource Network, this outreach service is staffed by harm reduction and health workers who provide safer injection and inhalation supplies, needle disposal, overdose prevention tools including naloxone, and information on testing, mental health and addictions supports. More information is available by calling PARN at 1-800-361-2895.

To learn more on harm reduction efforts and services, contact the health unit at 1-866-888-4577 or visit www.hkpr.on.ca.

Submitted by HKPR Health Unit



CLUES ACROSS

- Where to shop
- A descendant of Shem
- NBA big man "Boogie"
- Integrated circuit
- Voice
- Larry and Curly's buddy
- Beloved English princess
- Used to emphasize
- Sun worshippers want one
- Atomic # 44 (abbr.)
- Lincoln's state
- Selects
- Organs present in invertebrates
- Self-immolation by fire
- Trauma center
- Automobile
- Mustachioed actor Elliott
- Something to do at auctions
- British School
- San Diego ballplayers
- Drumming pattern
- One-time Portuguese currency
- Honor
- Beaches have it
- Folk singer DiFranco
- Electronic data processing

CLUES DOWN

- Cooks need one
- A mystic syllable
- Male parents
- Greek goddess of discord
- U.S.-based church (abbr.)
- Movies have lots of them
- Greek goddess of the dawn
- Influential naturalist
- Ancient town
- Atlanta-based rapper
- Where wrestlers ply their trade
- The Peach State
- Boat post
- Omitted from printed matter
- Witnesses
- Indicates position
- Atomic # 18 (abbr.)
- Obliged to repay
- Lead prosecutor
- Sun God
- The Ocean State
- Seek opportunity without scruples
- Keeps you cool
- Achievements
- A beloved street
- Analyze minutely
- Cook need one
- Mystic syllable
- Male parents
- Greek goddess of discord
- U.S.-based church (abbr.)
- Movies have lots of them
- Greek goddess of the dawn
- Influential naturalist
- Ancient town
- Atlanta-based rapper
- Animosities
- Pop singer
- Speak
- One who lives in northern Burma
- Not liquids
- A framework
- Peter's last name
- Plants have it
- To shorten a book
- French philosopher
- Murdered in his bathtub
- Greek letter
- A hiding place
- Crazed supporters
- Winged nut
- Doctor of Education
- Unhappy
- Popular celeb magazine
- and greets
- Poke holes in
- Beloved Mexican dish
- Monetary unit of Angola
- More wise
- Pouches
- Hindu's ideal man
- Type of gazelle
- Revolutions per minute
- Energy unit
- Cerium
- Canadian peninsula

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ALL CANDIDATES MEETINGS

Come out to meet candidates in the upcoming municipal election, hear what they have to say and ask your questions.

Algonquin Highlands (Wards 1&3):

Thursday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m.,
Dorset Recreation Centre

Highlands East: Thursday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m.,
Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce

Minden Hills: Thursday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m.,
Minden Hills Community Centre

Dysart et al: Thursday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m.,
Fleming College, Haliburton

Mayors and Deputy Mayors (countywide):
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The Healthy Lakes Contest

Septics: The Basics

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Shorelines: The Basics

Without a liver your body would not be able to filter toxins and would die. A Natural shoreline is your lake's liver.

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Our Healthy Lakes contest is drawing to a close. Next week, the winner of the Subaru oil change will be revealed, and the winner of \$1,000 cash. Thank you to everyone who participated in the contest. We hope it has provided new information about how to protect the lakes of the Haliburton Highlands!

Congratulations!

To Leslie Forrest

who correctly answered the question: What can I do to help visitors protect my investments in my septic system and my lake?

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The faces at the races

JUDY SKINNER

Special to the Echo

Haliburton Village, and specifically Head Lake Park, was the centre of activity for the recent Haliburton Powerboat Races. This was the fourth year for this exciting and invigorating event.

The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary ran the raffle table and also handed out programs as attendees arrived in the park. It was certainly an exciting and bustling place to work. All raffle prizes were donated by local businesses and the entire proceeds of ticket sales were donated to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary.

This central location allowed us to meet and greet local residents, cottagers, race team members and their families, as well as a number of out of town and out of country visitors. In spite of the varied backgrounds, languages and experiences, they all shared one thing in common, and that is their deep appreciation for the beauty of our village and surrounding areas.

Perhaps the most expressive were Abraham and Lena, a charming couple visiting from Barcelona, Spain. As they gestured toward the lake and the surrounding hills, it was impossible for them to stop smiling and telling us how



One of the racing teams with their boat.
/Photos by Maureen Skinner

much they were enjoying their Canadian experience.

We were equally touched by the number of attendees who followed organizer Barb Hammond's suggestion, and brought generous donations of food for the 4Cs in lieu of an entrance fee. They filled two very large boxes with much needed food items.

We received a delightful and totally unexpected donation of hand-knit dolls from Pat France of Grimsby, Ont., the



G. Matthews and Shawna Ricketts with their raffle winnings.

wife of a race official. She made a similar gift to us last year. Not only did the sale of these adorable little dolls benefit the auxiliary, but it provided us the best entertainment just by watching the little children spot them and, in the blink of an eye, pick out just the right "baby" for themselves.

Were the races noisy? You bet! But for all the benefit to our community and, specifically, to our hospital, it was well see RACES page 17

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Races support hospital auxiliary

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worth it. Many of the race team members filled our local hotels, motels and B&B's. They ate in our local restaurants and shopped in our local stores. Many first time attendees promised to come back just to enjoy the natural beauty of Haliburton and we encouraged them to come in the fall when the scenery is spectacular.

Toronto Outboard Racing Club donated \$1,000 to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary for this year's event. Barb Hammond presented the auxiliary with \$285 representing half of a 50/50 draw held the previous evening. The wife of the 50/50 winner donated \$100 on his behalf to the auxiliary as well.

When added to the raffle ticket sales, doll sales, and other cash donations, the auxiliary will have \$2,328 from the weekend's event to put toward the purchase of new hospital beds. All in all, time and effort very well spent.



Above left, Abraham and Lena, visiting from Barcelona, Spain.
Above right, Jeff, Shelly and Emma Bantam with Emma's new "baby."
Left, some of the dolls made and donated by Pat France, wife of a race official.
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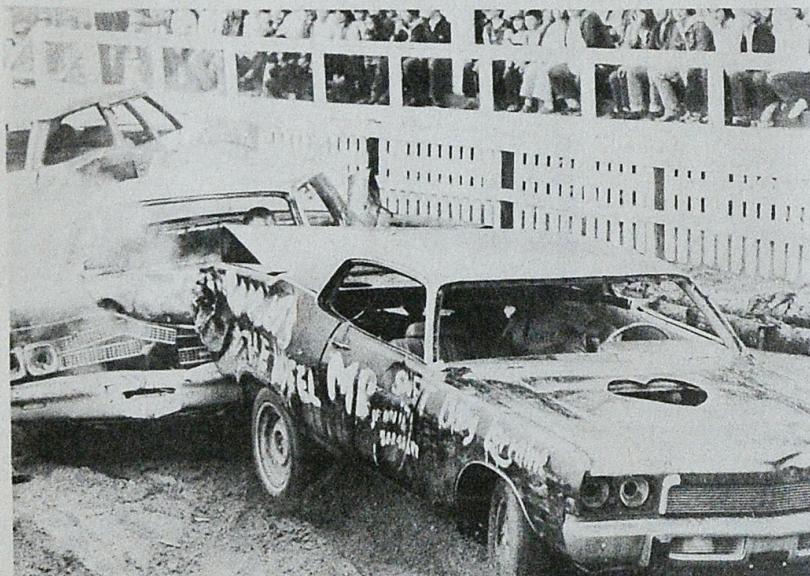
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Rain dampens Kinmount Fair

But spectators came dressed for the miserable weather and managed to enjoy the events and attractions all the same



Demolition drivers in action

The spectators wore rubber boots and rain coats. They carried umbrellas and they hid under canvas canopies. But despite the rain and drizzle Saturday and Sunday, the Kinmount fair was still "the show where you get your money's worth".

The grounds were drenched and crowds flocked to the dry safety of the grandstand while others decided to brave the weather to take in all the events. The ever-popular steam engines and sawmill drew spectators and antique cars added to the old-time attractions Saturday.

Good food was abundant at every corner and for the health conscious, the Kinmount United Church Women served a delicious beef dinner.

Exhibitors entered hundred of classes from livestock judging and horse drawing to the best collection of jams and the best apple pie competition.

One of the traditional highlights of the fair, Saturday, was the heavy horse draw. Joe McFeeeters, of Fenelon Falls, took first in the competition; Mac McGillivray, of Cardiff, was second; LeRoy Nesbitt, of Minden, was third; Dennis Stewart, of Woodville, fourth; Ingram Wessell, of Norland, fifth and George McLean, Little Britain, was sixth.

In the exotic cattle class Britannia Simmental Farms, Dunsford, won six firsts. John Sims, of Cameron, also won six firsts in the short horned cattle, winning every category in the class.

In the Hereford class, the competition was keen as firsts went to five different owners. Ely Jones, Cameron, took home two firsts; Lois Batty, Norland, also won two firsts as did G. MacGregor, of Little Britain. Carl Webster, of Cameron, won a

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Terry Fox Run to get underway at 1 p.m. Sunday

The first annual Terry Fox Run in Haliburton County gets underway this Sunday at 1 p.m. in front of the Haliburton Highlands Squash Club in Haliburton Village.

Pledge sheets for the run are going fast, and indications are that the event will raise a substantial amount of money for cancer research.

The run, which is being held in conjunction with hundreds of others across the province, has been officially approved by the Canadian Cancer Society, the Canadian Track and Field Association, Fitness and Amateur Sport Canada, and the Four Seasons Hotels, sponsors of the national 'Terry Fox Run' program.

While many participants will elect to run or jog over the official 10 kilometre distance, the 'Run' is not a race, and participants may elect to walk the distance at their leisure.

The route will skirt the shores of Head Lake to Glebe Park, thence along Harmony Road to Highway 519, and north to the Roberts Farm. The course will then head eastward to link up with the Harburn Road, which will bring participants back into the Village.

Pledge sheets for the event are available at chartered banks in Haliburton and Minden, the Haliburton County Echo office, and at Northland Surplus in Minden.

Why not pick one up if you haven't already and make it a point to take part in the official 'Terry Fox Run' for the Marathon of Hope.

Speech pathologist hired

Local youngsters will have access to a speech pathologist this year under a program approved last week by the Haliburton County Board of Education.

The board has agreed to share the cost of the path-



Tuesday was the first day back to school and although the thought of another year in class might not have pleased the students, they were glad to be with their friends. At Victoria Street school, Kendra Curry, Jenny Debes and Shannon Moore were having fun before classes began.

Day 13 and still it rains

Bleak weather sets modern day record, but rainfall less than in surrounding areas

A downpour Tuesday morning marked the thirteenth day of rain in Haliburton County, a modern day record for the end of summer period.

But while the grey skies and incessant rain have put a damper on the end of summer, local residents and cottagers could count themselves lucky to have escaped the heavy rains which caused havoc in Muskoka over the same period.

Rainfall over the 12 day period between Thursday, August 27, and Monday, September 7, totalled 64.8 mm or about two and a half inches. In Muskoka, where it also rained every day, the downpours were much heavier, totalling about 165 mm, or more than six inches.

Rainfall was also heavier in surrounding areas to the north, south and east over the last 12 days, as Peterborough, North Bay and Ottawa recorded more than 100 mm of precipitation.

While the total rainfall did not even come close to setting a record, (some 122.4 mm fell during the same period last year, for example), the clouds and rain kept humidity above 80 per cent for the entire 12 day period, which is a record, according to area meteorologist Jim Elstone.

Daily rainfall for extended periods is not an uncommon occurrence in Haliburton County, records show, but those periods are not usually

recorded in late August and early September.

In 1901 it rained daily from May 29 through June 9. In 1919, grey skies and rainfall prevailed between August 16 and August 27. And in 1892, there were a record 16 straight days of rain between August 1 and August 16.

The last time it rained 12 consecutive days in August

and/or September was 1892. As recently as 1979 rain fell for 13 consecutive days, but it happened in late October and early November, when it seemed less out of keeping with the season.

An oddity of the recent bleak weather is that many of the rainstorms were isolated, dampening one community or lake area while others es-

caped a particular cloud's path.

And if you think things could hardly have been worse, be thankful you don't live on Kashog Lake, where, by some quirk of nature, rainfall was markedly heavier over the last 13 days than it was in other parts of the county.

Mediator hears board, teachers

Some issues settled, but several yet to be resolved

Mediation aimed at helping the Haliburton County Board of Education and its secondary school teachers reach a 1981-82 contract

settlement will continue after an initial session August 31 brought progress on a number of issues.

Board negotiating commit-

tee chairman Cheryl Murdock said the two sides "got a lot of matters straightened away" in a meeting last Monday with provincially appointed mediator Eric Runacres.

Murdock described the session, which stretched into the early hours of the morning, as "quite productive".

although she noted that there is "still a long way to go yet."

Under an agreement between the board and the teachers, no details on issues or demands are revealed until a settlement is reached.

A second mediation meeting between the two sides is set for next Tuesday, September 15.

Board moves to reappoint trustee who lost seat for non attendance

Sherborne, McClintock and Livingstone's representative to the Haliburton County Board of Education has been reinstated to the seat he lost in June.

David MacDonald was re-

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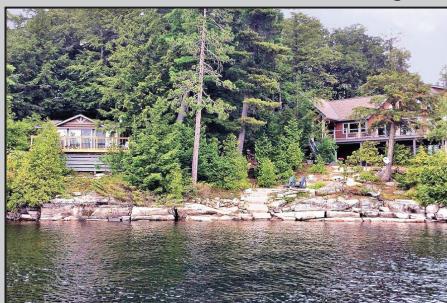
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